THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Facilities to the labourers

1750. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of labourers having labour-cards in different States;

(b) the number of them are agricultural labourers;

(c) whether the labourers are entitled to benefits of child education, pension, medical assistances, housing facilities etc.; and

(d) the steps to be taken in order to provide these facilities to all categories of labourers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) The Ministry of Labour and Employment is not operating any such scheme to provide labour cards to all category of labourers in the country.

(b) to (d) Questions do not arise.

Rehabilitation of child labour

†1751. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of child labourers in the country at present as per Government record;

(b) the State-wise details thereof;

(c) the measures taken by Government for their rehabilitation;

(d) the foreign aid received by Government in this regard during the last three years; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b) As per the Census 2001, the number of working children in the country is 1.26 crore. The State-wise data of number of working children is given in the Statement. (*See* below)

(c) Government is implementing the scheme of National Child

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Labour Projects (NCLPs) in 250 districts of 21 states in the country. Under the scheme children withdrawn from work are put into the Special Schools where these children are provided education, nutrition, vocational training, stipend and health care etc.

(d) and (e) An Indo-US Joint programme for elimination of child labour in five child labour endemic states of Tamilnadu, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra and NCT of Delhi at a total cost of US $ 40 million shared equally between India and the US is under implementation. An Italian government assisted project for elimination of child labour in Karnataka and a DFID assisted project which is in its second phase in Andhra Pradesh are also under implementation.

Statement

State-wise Distribution of Working Children according to 2001 Census in the age group 5-14 years

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	2001
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1363339
2.	Assam	351416
3.	Bihar	1117500
4.	Gujarat	485530
5.	Haryana	253491
6.	Himachal Pradesh	107774
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	175630
8.	Karnataka	822615
9.	Kerala	26156
10.	Madhya Pradesh	1065259
11.	Maharashtra	764075
12.	Chhattisgarh	364572
13.	Manipur	28836
14.	Meghalaya	53940
15.	Jharkhand	407200
16.	Uttaranchal	70183
17.	Nagaland	45874
18.	Orissa	377594

1	2	3
19.	Punjab	177268
20.	Rajasthan	1262570
21.	Sikkim	16457
22.	Tamil Nadu	418801
23.	Tripura	21756
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1927997
25.	West Bengal	857087
26.	Andaman & Nicobar Island	1960
27.	Arunachal Pradesh	18482
28.	Chandigarh	3779
29.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	4274
30.	Delhi	41899
31.	Daman and Diu	729
32.	Goa	4138
33.	Lakshadweep	27
34.	Mizoram	26265
35.	Pondicherry	1904
	TOTAL	12666377

** includes marginal workers also.

Vocational training among youth

1752. SHRI SURENDRA LATH:
SHRI SURESH BHARDWAJ:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Vocationally Trained among the youth in labour force is much less against other developing and developed countries;

(b) the percentage of those in labour force as per the current Economic survey; and

(c) the steps Government are taking to impart Vocational Training among the youths in labour force?